



2020 PINOT NOIR BLANC ANDERSON VALLEY ESTATE



WINEMAKER: Stéphane Vivier

VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

CASE PRODUCTION: 200

SOIL TYPE: Pinole Loam

BLOCK: 4

CLONE: 115

FERMENTATION: Stainless steel on very fine lees

ELEVAGE: 7 months in 10% new French oak

WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES:

“Green in color with flecks of gold, the nose shows intense notes of strawberry intermixed with accents of grapefruit, clove, and rosemary. On the palate, strawberry flavors return and are layered with gentle spice and oyster shell. This wine is fresh and vibrant, showing purity and energy throughout that is carried by its acidity. Violet and rose petal base notes form at the tail end of the wine that develop into a long, clean, and focused finish that lasts. Truly magical to taste and discover this unique wine.”

– Stéphane Vivier

GROWING SEASON:

The 2020 vintage is characterized by a very dry winter with just half of the region's typical rainfall followed by a warmer-than-usual summer. The season was prolonged with bud break and flowering happening a week earlier than 2019. Harvest started a week later than average for our sparkling and Rosé grapes. The cold nights and intense marine layers allowed this extremely slow reopening which resulted in an extreme layering of flavors and complexity for all of our 2020 wines.

LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.